REMARKS

Applicants request the Examiner to enter the changes in the specification requested above.

On June 5, 2002, Applicants submitted Sequence Listing, pages 1-6, to include as a sequence listing as part of this Application, along with an electronic copy (diskette) and a Statement in Support of Filing and Submissions in Accordance with 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. Applicants wish to confirm entry of the Sequence Listing into the specification as pages 46-51 and the renumbering of the pages containing the claims and abstract. As noted in the Statement submitted June 5, 2002, no new matter has been added by virtue of the amendment made to the specification.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the present application is respectfully considered in condition for allowance. An early reconsideration and notice of allowance are earnestly solicited.

Although it is not believed that any additional fee is required to consider this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no. <u>04-1105</u> should any fee be deemed necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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